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MY
NAME
IS HIME
NOKA-
NA.

IN
RETURN,
I WILL
BE YOUR
FRIEND.

SHE'D
STOLEN
MY
HEART...



TEN
YEARS
LATER

GOOD
MORNING,
SATO!

WHEN WE
WERE LITTLE,
SHE WAS
LIKE A REAL
PRINCESS.

GOOD
MORNING...
HIME.

8:12 28°C



HERE!
BREAK-
FAST.

DRINKS IN A
WALKOVER





WHEN WE WERE LITTLE, I MADE HER A PROMISE.

HIME'S GRANDPA!

WE'RE OFF!

TAKE CARE.





RINGS?

THESE RINGS
ARE VERY
IMPORTANT. I'LL
GIVE ONE TO
WHOEVER I
MARRY.



SATO-
KUN!



...WILL
YOU
MARRY
ME?

WHEN
WE GROW
UP...









TRUTH IS,
I'VE BEEN
WONDERING
FOR A WHILE...



DOES SHE
REALLY JUST
SEE ME AS AN
OLD FRIEND?

WHAT
DOES
HIME
REALLY
THINK
OF ME?

I CAN'T
ASK FOR
ANYTHING
MORE.

WHEN THE
TIME COMES,
IF IT COMES,
THINGS'LL
WORK OUT.

HONESTLY,
I'D RATHER
KEEP THINGS
AS THEY ARE
RATHER THAN
RISK DAMAGING
WHAT WE HAVE.



FROM
HIME?







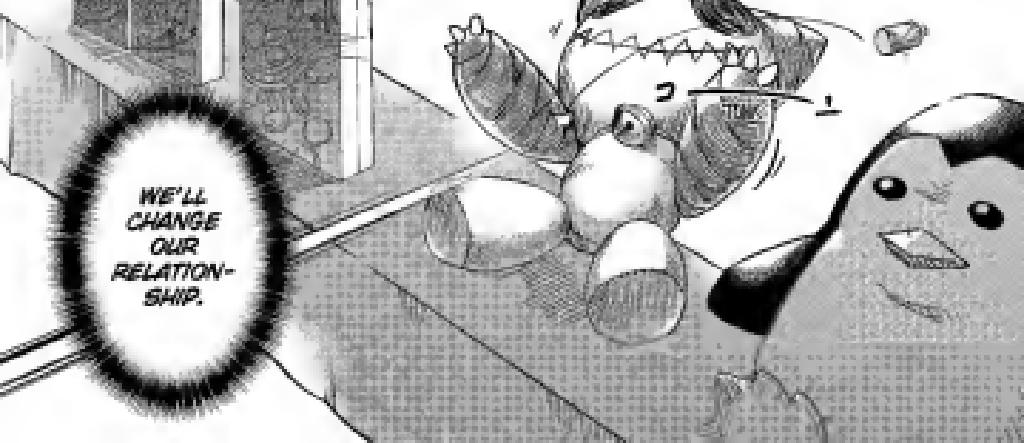
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HEY,
SATO.

DO YOU
FEEL THE
SA—

I LOVE
YOU,
HIME!

EH?

THERE'S
SOMETHING
I'VE BEEN
MEANING TO
TELL YOU.

WHAT'S
THIS?

I...

IS SHE
GONNA...?

EH
...?





I'M
MOVING
TOMOR-
ROW.

!?



WE'RE
GOING
BACK
TO MY
GRAND-
FATHER'S
COUNTRY.

IT'S
VERY
FAR
AWAY.



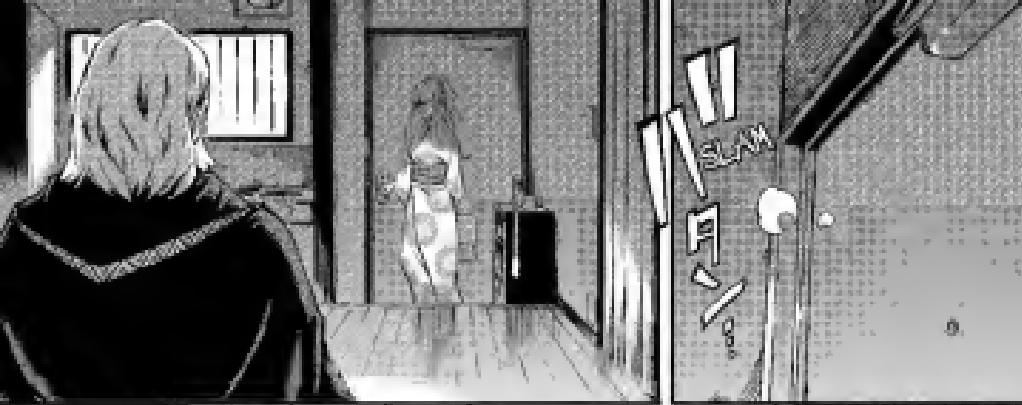
THANKS
FOR
TODAY.

SATO!

I'M GLAD I
COULD SPEND
IT WITH... MY
BEST FRIEND.

THANKS
FOR
MAKING
MY LAST
DAY
PERFECT.







I'LL
GO ON
AHEAD.

COME
WHEN
YOU'RE
READY.





BUT I
DON'T KNOW
ANYTHING
ABOUT HER.

I KNOW
HER...

BUT
I ALWAYS
FELT LIKE
TRYING
WOULD RUIN
EVERYTHING.

TO ME,
THEY'RE
JUST A
REMINDER
OF A
CHILDHOOD
PROMISE.

EVEN
THOSE
RINGS SHE
TREAS-
URES...

WHERE
HER GRAND-
FATHER IS
FROM, WHY
SHE HAS NO
PARENTS...









YOU
REMEM-
BERED?

THEN YOU
UNDER-
STAND.

I'M GOING
HOME. TO
MY WORLD.

TRUTH
IS...

I'M
GETTING
MARRIED.

I'M A
PRINCESS.
CAN'T
HELP IT.

SO THIS
REALLY IS
GOODBYE.

EH?





NO...

TO SEE
HIME
OFF?

WHY
DID I
COME
HERE?



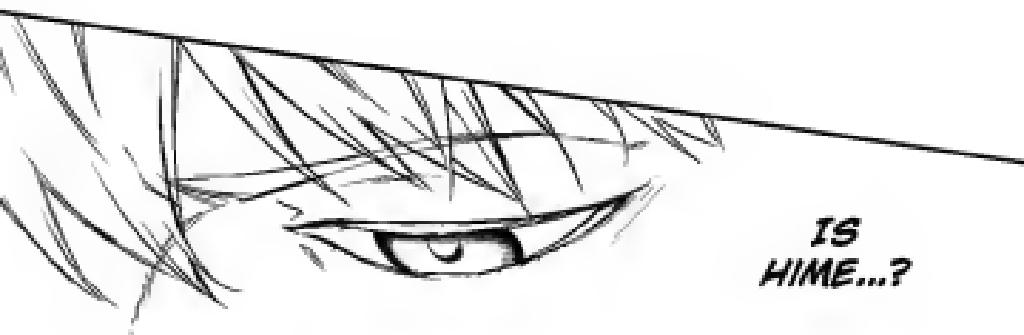
SO...

STOP
THINKING.





WHAT
HAPPENED?



THESE
RINGS
WILL
BIND
YOU...

SECOND
PRINCE OF
GISARAS,
MARMA-
RUGIAS
GISARAS.

PRINCESS OF
NOKANATIKA,
RULER OF
THE RING OF
LIGHT,
KRYSYL
NOVATY
NOKANATIKA.











A MON-STER FROM THE ABYSS!

NO
OO
OO
O!

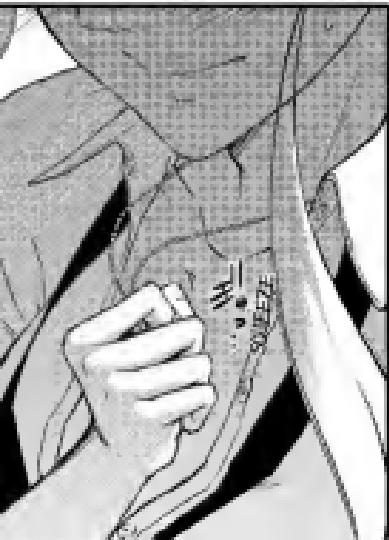


SO THEY
ARE AFTER
THE
PRINCESS'S
LIFE!





























B-BED-
ROOM?

THE ROYAL
COUPLE'S
BEDROOM.

COU-
PLE'S
?

SEPARATE
ROOMS
WOULD BE
WEIRD.

I MEAN,
WE'RE
MARRIED
NOW.

THE
WEDDING
RING

THIS...IS THE
RING YOU'VE
ALWAYS HAD
ON YOUR
NECKLACE.





TRUTH IS,
I WAS
SUPPOSED
TO MARRY
THAT
PRINCE.







HERE'S
YOUR
REWARD.

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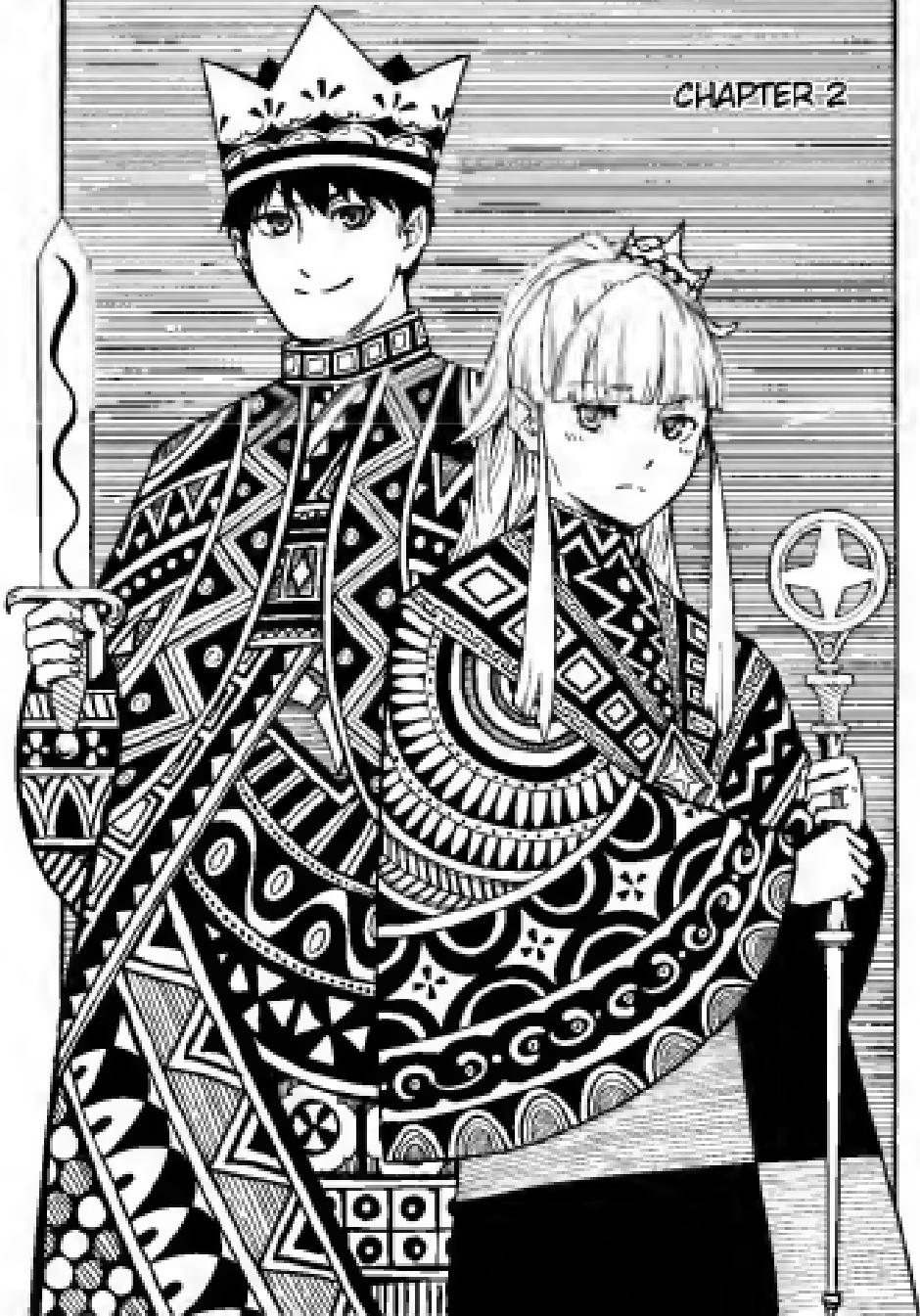
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CHAPTER 2





I THINK ANYONE
WOULD HAVE.

I WAS
ABLE
TO
FOLLOW
HER...

THE
ONLY
THING
I CARED
ABOUT
WAS
NOT
LOSING
HIME.

Tusk

Tusk

THIS
ISN'T...

BUT...

THAT'S
ALL.

...QUITE
WHAT
I-EX-
PECTED.

SEE?
THAT
GENTLE-
MAN...





SATO!

THIS IS
REALLY NOT
WHAT I EX-
PECTED.









THE RULER OF
THE RING OF LIGHT
CHOSES THE RING
KING. IT IS HE WHO
WILL SAVE THE
WORLD.



BUT
THERE ARE
MANY OTHERS
WAITING FOR
THEIR KING.

WE GRANTED
YOU THIS
AUDIENCE
BECAUSE
YOU ALL
WISHED TO
SEE THEM.

COME....

THIS
WAY.







MY
NAME IS
SATO,
AND I'M
A HERO!

I CAME
FROM
ANOTHER
WORLD
TO SAVE
THIS
ONE!

WAHAHA

!!













I'VE...I'VE
GOT YOU MIXED
UP IN ALL THIS
CRAZINESS.

I KNEW
THIS WOULD
HAPPEN IF
I GAVE YOU
THE RING...



THIS ISN'T
YOUR WORLD.
I SHOULDN'T
HAVE...

WHAT'S
ALL
THIS?

WHAT?
WHAT?

WAH
WAH



LOOK,
IT'S SUMMER
VACATION,
RIGHT?
I LOCKED
THE DOOR
BEHIND
ME.

NO...
DON'T.

I'VE
NEVER
GONE
ANY-
WHERE!

IT'S
LIKE I'VE
GONE
ABROAD!
IT'LL BE
FUN.

I'LL
BE
FINE.



THAT'S RIDICULOUS!



YEAH
...

THIS
IS MY
WORLD.



YOU HAVE NO
CHOICE. YOU
HAVE TO BE
HERE.







SATO

PROTECTING
ME AGAIN.

IT'S
NOTHING.

THANKS.



HM?





WOW, IT'S
HUGE...

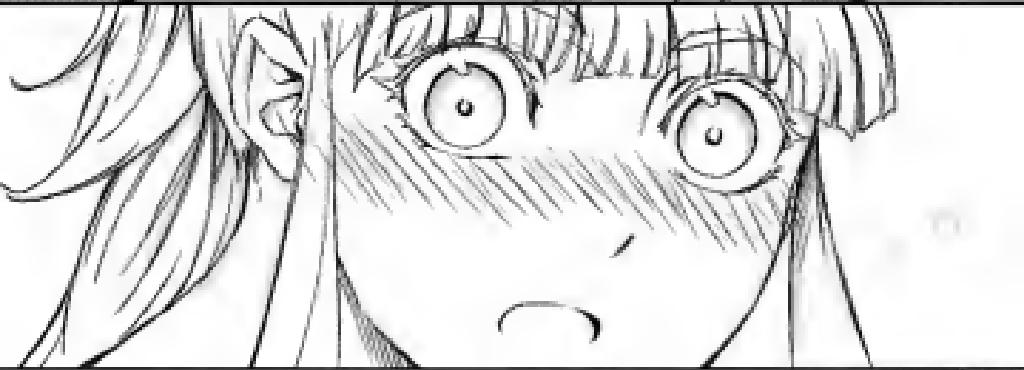
HIME
?!

DON'T
LOOK!















SHASH

SH
はあ

WHAT?
?

PRINCESS!
A MINION
OF THE
ABYSS!

EE
EE
EK!

CLAW CLAW
CLAW CLAW



WHERE
IS THE
BEARER
OF THE
RING?

I
DON'T
KNOW!

PROBABLY
THE SOUTH
TOWER...
AROUND
THERE
SOME-
WHERE!

...NO.







IT'S
SO
BIG!

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CHAPTER 3









WE
WEREN'T...!
WE WERE
IN THE
BATH! WE
HAVEN'T...

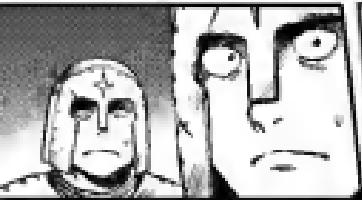
UHHH
...

PLEASE
HELP
US!

THE ONE
FROM THE
OTHER DAY
MAY HAVE
BEEN A
SCOUT.

RING
KING.

SEVERAL
MONSTERS
FROM THE
ABYSS ARE
ATTACKING.





SATO
DOESN'T
KNOW HOW
TO FIGHT.

HE WAS
AN ORDINARY
STUDENT
YESTERDAY....



HOW
CAN
HE?



HE
HAS NO
CHOICE.

EVEN
SO...



AS LONG
AS YOU
HAVE THAT
RING...





NOT A
SWORD?

IT'S A
HALBERD,
RING
KNOT!

AN
AXE?



...THAT ARE
PERFECT FOR
DEFEATING
THE ABYSS!



THE RING
CREATES
WEAPONS



AND IT
GRANTS THE
WIELDER
STRENGTH.



IT GRANTS
THE LIGHT OF
PURIFICATION
TO WHATEVER
YOU HOLD.



THE RING
OF LIGHT
REPELS
EVIL.





DEFEAT
THE EVIL
BEINGS
AND SAVE
THIS
WORLD!



SO
I'LL DO
WHATEVER
I CAN.













THIS
ONE'S
DIFFER-
ENT...

WHAT?

IS
HE AN
ENEMY,
TOO?

THE
RING
KING!

I
FOUND
IT...THE
RING OF
LIGHT...











THAT'S
A KNIGHT
OF THE
ABYSS!
A
TERRIFYING
MONSTER
WIELDING
POWERFUL
MAGIC!



THE
RING'S
POWER
WON'T
STOP IT?

MAGIC
?









DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT
THAT.

FOR NOW,
JUST
FOLLOW
ME!











IF HE KNOWS
YOU'VE LEFT
THE CASTLE,
HE WON'T
LINGER.

THEY'LL
LIKELY BE
SAFE.

THE ABYSS
KING IS AFTER
THE RING KING
AND THE RINGS.



SATO-KUN,
YOUR POWER
AS THE RING
KING IS STILL
QUITE SMALL.

HMM
...

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN,
NOT
ENOUGH?

GRAND-
FATHER...
WHAT
YOU SAID
BEFORE...





TO COMPLETE
THAT POWER,
YOU NEED FOUR
ADDITIONAL
RINGS.





YOU WILL
NEED TO
MARRY
FOUR
MORE
PRINCES-
SES...

AND
OBTAIN
THEIR
RINGS!

YES
...





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CHAPTER 4



YEAH...

WE'RE LUCKY
THEY HAD AN
EMPTY ROOM!

WELL...
I GUESS
THIS IS THE
BEDROOM!

SHAME IT
ONLY HAS
ONE BED.

WE'VE GOT
A LONG
JOURNEY
TOMORROW!
GOTTA
REST UP!

YEP!







MANY COUNTRIES WERE ENVELOPED IN BLACK CLOUDS OF DEATH, THEN WIPED OUT.

LONG AGO, THE ABYSS KING'S DARK POWER DOMINATED THIS WORLD.

PEOPLE'S HEARTS CRUMBLED. IN THE FACE OF CEASELESS MONSTER ATTACKS.

EACH RING HAD A DIFFERENT POWER—LIGHT, FIRE, WATER, WIND, AND EARTH.

THE RING KING MADE RINGS FILLED WITH POWER TO FORCE BACK THE DARKNESS.



...THE RING KING SEALED THE ABYSS KING AWAY.

...GOT ALONG FIGHT WITH THE HELD OF THOSE POWERS...

AFTER THAT...

THE FIVE RINGS
WERE GIVEN TO THE
FIVE COUNTRIES
FROM WHICH THE
WIVES OF THE KING
KING HANDED.

...AS FIVE PAIRS
OF WEDDING
RINGS,
SYMBOLIZING
THE BONDS
BETWEEN THE
PRINCESSES
AND THE RING
KING.

THEY'VE BEEN
PASSED DOWN
EVER SINCE...

THE ABYSS
KING IS BACK,
AND HAS
REGAINED HIS
POWER.

AND
NOW...

...IS TO GET
THE FIVE
RINGS FROM
THE FIVE
PRINCE-
SSES...

...AND USE
THAT POWER
TO SEAL
AWAY THE
ABYSS
KING.

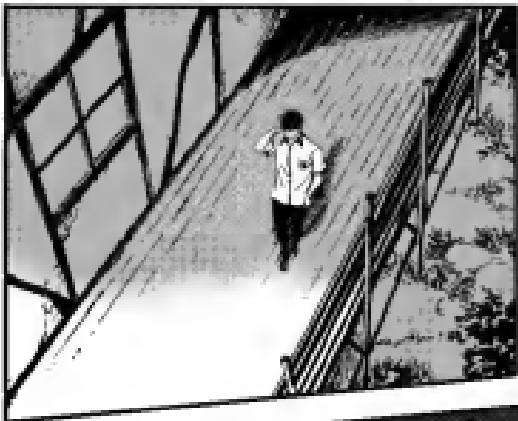
THE
DUTY
OF THE
RING
KING...



















SATO...





BUT MY
HUSBAND
BECOMES
THE KING.

...AND TO HAVE
YOU CHEAT ON ME
WITH THE OTHER
PRINCESSES...

WITH A
STRANGER,
THAT
WAS ONE
THING...

BUT
TO HURT
SOMEONE
I LOVE...

THE REASON
I'VE TWISTED
MYSELF UP
LIKE THIS...

...IS
BECAUSE I
COULDNT
BE HONEST
WITH YOU.

YOU'VE
DONE
NOTHING
WRONG.

NO...

SORRY,
I...

I'VE
BEEN ALL
WRAPPED
UP IN
MYSELF,
I DIDNT
CONSIDER
HOW YOU...

EH?





WHAT
DO YOU
SAY,
SATO?

WILL
YOU
MARRY
ME?

YES!









WHOOOM

IT
SHOULD
BE PER-
FECT!

OUR
FIRST
TIME
SHOULD
BE...

HUH?

HUH?
THAT'S....
CREEPY...

I
KNOW!

TEN
YEARS OF
FEELINGS
FOR YOU
CAN'T LEAD
TO THIS!

NOT JUST...
GOING WITH
THE FLOW
LIKE THIS.

THIS
ISN'T
LIKE
US.

ANY-
WAY...



WE CAN DO
MARRIED
THINGS ONE
STEP AT
A TIME.

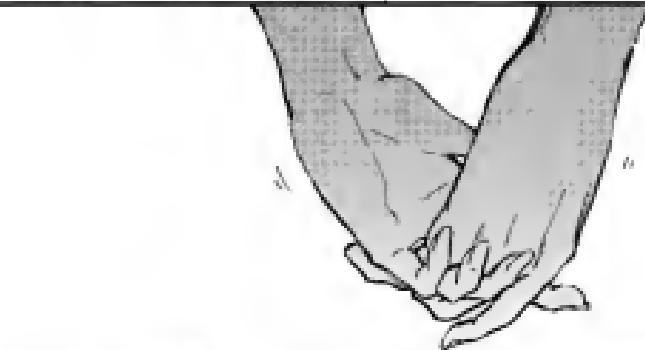
WE WENT
FROM
CHILDHOOD
FRIENDS TO
MARRIED
OVERNIGHT.

I
AGREE.

YEAH.

















TRUTH IS, I CAUGHT
A GLIMPSE OF
YOU LYING DOWN IN
THE BATH AND IT
SCARED ME.



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AFTERWORD PAGE



I HONESTLY NEVER THOUGHT I'D DRAW A FANTASY MANGA...

MY LAST SERIES, DUSK MAIDEN OF AMNESIA, WAS SET IN THE CLOSED-OFF WORLD OF A SCHOOL, SO I FIGURED I SHOULD CHANGE THINGS UP A BIT, AND AFTER THINKING ABOUT IT A WHILE DECIDED TO TRY MY HAND AT FANTASY.

EARLY ON I HAD A GIRL COMING FROM ANOTHER WORLD, PLUS THREE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS FLING INTO ANOTHER WORLD, EACH WITH THEIR OWN HEROINE! BUT A BUNCH OF STUFF HAPPENED AND IT SETTLED ON THE SIMPLER STORY FOUND HERE. POSSIBLY IT WOULD UP TOO SIMPLE, BUT THIS WAS MY FIRST STAB AT ANYTHING FANTASY-ish, SO I'M NOT GONNA WORRY, AND KEEP FEELING MY WAY THROUGH IT.

ADDITIONALLY, THE CONTENTS OF THIS VOLUME ARE NOT INTENDED AS A PARODY OF ANY FAMOUS WORKS. THE TITLE IS TALES OF WEDDING RINGS, BUT THAT IS SIMPLY A RESULT OF THE PLOT, A NATURAL COMBINATION OF PERFECTLY ORDINARY WORDS. PLEASE FORGIVE ME.

THE ILLUSTRATION HERE IS AN UNUSED ROUGH OF AN AD FOR THE SERIALIZATION LAUNCH. A FEW DETAILS OF THE CHARACTER DESIGNS HAVE CHANGED! ALSO SATO'S FACE IS KINDA CREEPY.

-MAYBE

AND WOMEN INTO CLOTH. THEIR GENTLE NATURE AND BENEFICIAL PROPERTIES MAKES THESE BEASTS BELOVED AND WELL LOOKED-AFTER. THEY ARE CALLED TOWELKETS. THE SAME NAME AS A BED LINEN IN ANOTHER WORLD, BUT WHAT CONNECTION THESE TWO TERMS MAY HAVE IS, AS YET, A MYSTERY.

AS A HUMAN TERRITORY, FAITH IN THE RING KING HAS LONG BEEN STRONG AROUND NOKANATIKA. BELIEVERS PRAISE THE RING KING, AND BEG HIM TO RETURN TO FACE THE COMING PERIL. HOWEVER, THE THREAT OF THE ABYSS KING IS DISTANCE, AND THE WORLD HAS BEEN AT PEACE; THE RELIGIOUS PRACTICES HAVE GROWN SOMEWHAT ABSTRACT. WITHIN NOKANATIKA ALONE THERE ARE EIGHTY-EIGHT PLACES CLAIMING TO BE THE RING KING'S GRAVE. NO ONE IS SERIOUSLY ATTEMPTING TO INVESTIGATE WHICH, IF ANY, ARE REAL; RATHER, THEY ENCOURAGE PILGRIMS TO MAKE THE ROUNDS, VISITING EACH OF HIS GRAVES. THE ANNUAL RING KING FESTIVAL HELD IN THE NOKANATIKA COMMONS IS WELL-ATTENDED, WATCHED OVER BY A LARGE STATUE OF THE RING KING HIMSELF. AT THE END OF THE FESTIVAL, THE STATUE IS BURNED, AND A PRAYER OFFERED TO PROTECT ALL FROM SICKNESS AND MISFORTUNE. THIS IT HAS BEEN FOR A HUNDRED YEARS.

KNOW THE FOOD, KNOW THE COUNTRY. BELOW I PRESENT AN EXAMPLE OF THE NOKANATIKA FAMILY MEAL.

*BREAD

WHEAT FLOWER, BAKING POWDER, AND MILK, KNEADED AND BAKED, WHEAT IS WIDELY GROWN, AND EATEN BY PEASANT AND NOBLE ALIKE.

*VEGETABLE AND MEAT STEW

THE MAIN VEGETABLES ARE POTATOES AND BEANS. THE MEAT IS COMMONLY TOWELKET, WITH THE ROYAL FAMILY OFTEN PRESENTED WITH VALUABLE UNSHEARED TOWELKET. TOWELKET CAN BE WORN AND EATEN; TRULY THIS BEAST IS A GIFT FROM GOD.

*FRUIT JUICE

BEVERAGE MADE BY SQUEEZING A VARIETY OF FRUITS GATHERED IN NEARBY ORCHARDS. MADE TO RESEMBLE THE JUICES OF THE OTHER WORLD AT THE PRINCESS'S REQUEST; HOWEVER, THE FRUIT OF NOKANATIKA DOES NOT LEND ITSELF TO THIS TREATMENT, AND THE RING KING HAS SUFFERED GREATLY, FORCED TO DRINK SUCH ODD CONCOCTIONS.



ANULUS NATURAL HISTORY

SEARCH ANYWHERE IN THE KNOWN WORLD, AND YOU'LL FIND NO WRITINGS THAT PREDATE THE LEGEND OF THE RING KING AND THE ABYSS KING. THE LEGENDARY WAR BURNED ALL WRITINGS THAT WERE WRITTEN, ALL RECORDS THAT WERE RECORDED. ONCE THE ABYSS KING WAS SEALED, PEOPLE FEARED TO EVEN WRITE HIS NAME. YET FEARING TABOOS, BEREFT OF THE LIGHT OF KNOWLEDGE, WE CANNOT HOPE TO ILLUMINATE THE ABYSS. JUST AS OUR FOREBEARER'S COURAGE LEFT LEGENDS BEHIND, I RECORD HERE THE KNOWLEDGE OBTAINED WHEN TRAVELING THE WORLD AS A YOUNG MAN.

-SAGE ALABASTER GETOMIK

NOKANATIKA, THE LAND OF LIGHT, IS A COUNTRY OF "THE TRUE PEOPLE" — HUMANS — AWAITING THE RETURN OF THE RING KING. THE NOKANATIKA ROYAL FAMILY BEARS THE RINGS OF LIGHT, ARE REVERED BY THOSE CITIZENS THAT BELIEVE THE LEGEND OF THE RING KING, AND HAVE RULED IN PEACE FOR MANY YEARS. SUBSEQUENTLY, BEYOND AGRICULTURAL BUSINESSES, THE ECONOMY IS PRIMARY SUPPORTED BY TOURISM TO THE HOLY LAND OF THE RING KING LEGEND. FOLK-CRAFTED PIMMANTS, WOODEN REPLICAS OF THE RING KING'S WEAPONS OF LIGHT, AND WHITLED IMAGES OF THE RING KING HIMSELF ARE POPULAR SOUVENIRS. RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES ARE STRONG, WITH THE BIGGEST ISSUE BEING REGULAR COMPLAINTS FROM PILGRIMS AS TO THE PRICES OF RESTAURANTS. WHAT COULD BE MORE INDICATIVE OF PEACE?



Beyond the Ring Faith, Nokanatika is also known for uniquely high-quality textiles. Cloth made from the fur of herbivores gazing on the prairies is both absorbant and warm, and is valued for many purposes. These beasts are extremely tall, their every inch so covered in fur that while all have seen the beasts, few have seen their faces. They have moderately curly hair that can easily be sheared.

NEXT

COMING SOON

THE LAND
OF THE EVILS,
WHERE THE
WIND RING
LIES...



THE
ADORABLE
ELF PRINCESS
HOLDS
THE KEY...

THE RING
KING?

A-HA...
YOU...

...BE THE
MARRYING
TYPE.



IT
SEEMS
SHE
MAY
NOT...

THERE
ARE
MANY
STRANGE
PEOPLE.



— WHAT WILL BEFALL SATO AND HIME?!



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ART: MAYBE



* LOOK FORWARD TO VOLUME 2!

BY EXCLUCIVE AIR AT 11:00S WHEN VOLUME 1 WENT ON SALE.

COVER FLAP



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DAVE

I WATCHED ALL THREE LORD OF THE RINGS
MOVIES IN ONE DAY AND ALMOST DIED
(AND THEN IT DIDN'T REALLY END UP INFLUENCING THIS ANIMAL)

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HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SATO'S CHILDHOOD FRIEND HIME SUDDENLY SAYS GOOD-BYE. HE CHASES AFTER HER AND FINDS HIMSELF IN A FANTASY WORLD! THERE HE MARRIES HER AND BECOMES THE LEGENDARY HERO, THE RING KING! DUCK MAIDEN OF AMNESIA'S MAYBE PROVIDES A NEWLY-WED ROMANTIC COMEDY THAT'S OUT OF THIS WORLD!

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